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In re Patent Application of: Haruko TOYOSHIMA et al.

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DIMENSIONAL GUARDS

Examiner: M. M. Kidwell

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.